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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Ronald C. Stefanek
FOR : **HEMMING APPARATUS AND METHOD**
SERIAL NO. : 10/019,117
FILED : May 17, 2002
GROUP ART UNIT : 3725
EXAMINER : John S. Goetz
LAST OFFICE ACTION : August 1, 2003
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : SFKZ 2 00002

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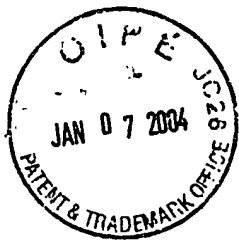
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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Attorney Docket No.: SFKZ 2 00002

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Ser. No.: 10/019,117	Filed: May 17, 2002	Examiner: John S. Goetz
Art Unit: 3725	Title: HEMMING APPARATUS AND METHOD	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	25	Minus	28	0	X 9	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	5	Minus	5	0	X 43	\$0.00
TOTAL					=	\$0.00

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- ☐ Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.
- ☒ Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a **two-month extension of time** to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$210.00 to cover the applicable extension of time fees.
- ☒ Applicants request any extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the required fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,
FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN,
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